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USE OF CGP PREFIX PROVIDER NUMBERS BY DENTAL PROVIDERS

This is to provide clarification on the continued use of CGP prefix provider numbers by dental providers in two specific situations. Dentists and orthodontists must continue to bill in the legacy system, submitting claims on a HCFA 1500 claim form using a CGP prefix provider number to CCS county programs and State Regional Offices for approval and transmittal to EDS for adjudication for the following:

- Outstanding Authorizations
For services rendered pursuant to dental and orthodontic authorizations issued in the legacy system prior to July 1, 2004. (See CCS Numbered Letter 06-1004, IIIA1.)
- Dental Providers participating in a CCS Special Care Center (SCC) Team
For SCC services provided by a dentist or orthodontist member of an SCC team when billed using an appropriate SCC procedure code in the Z4300 through Z4315 range. (See CCS Numbered Letter 06-1004, IIIC.)

Outstanding authorizations will phase out incrementally as existing legacy dental service authorizations expire in 2005. We are continuing to work with Denti-Cal to enable dental providers to bill Denti-Cal for CCS SCC services. These anomalous situations will be eliminated by the time the legacy authorization system and CGP provider numbers are end dated in 2005.